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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINT, SHUM, SREF, BR, AR  
SUBJECT: ARGENTINES ARRESTED WITH SOCIALIST CONVERGENCE

REF: BUENOS AIRES 7184; BRASILIA 6877 NOTAL

1. UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE PRIM TOLD CONGEN POLOFF SEPTEMBER 15 THAT, FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS HE HAD SEPTEMBER 14 WITH DEOPS OFFICIALS IN SAO PAULO, IT WAS AGREED THAT ARGENTINE NATIONALS HUGO MIGUEL BRESSANO AND RITA STRASSBERG, ARRESTED ALONG WITH MEMBERS OF SOCIALIST CONVERGENCE, WOULD BE RELEASED FRM CUSTODY SEPTEMBER 15 AND BE PERMITTED TO LEAVE BRAZIL FOR COLOMBIA ON THAT DATE. PRIM SPECULATED THAT REPORT CARRIED SEPTEMBER 15 JORNAL DO BRASIL THAT TWO WOULD BE RELEASED SEPTEMBER 16 FOR TRAVEL ON SEPTEMBER 18 WAS SMOKESCREEN PUT OUT BY DEOPS TO ENSURE THAT DEPARTURE WOULD GO SMOOTHLY. PRIM PLANS MEET TWO AT AIRPORT IN RIO.

2. EMBASSY CONCURS.  
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